INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No. PCT/AU99/00915

Α.	CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER		
Int Cl ⁶ :	A61K 38/21, G01N, 33/68, 33/566		
According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC B. FIELDS SEARCHED			
b. FIELDS SEARCHED			
Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols) IPC A61K, G01N			
Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched AU: AS ABOVE			
Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used) WPAT			
CAPLUS) INFAR 2a or soluble INFAR MEDLINE			
C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT			
Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where app	propriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
Х	Novick, D., et al. Cell, Vol 77 "The Human Interferon α/β Receptor: Characterization and Molecular - Cloning" pp 391 - 400, May 6, 1994. 1, 8, 13, 20, 26, 47 and 49		
P,X	WO 99/32141 A (Applied Research Systems Ars Holding N.V.) 1 July 1999 8, 42		
x ·	Owczarek, C.M., et al. The Journal of Biological Chemistry, Vol 272, No. 38, "Cloning and Characterization of soluble and Transmembrane Isoforms IFNAR 2", pp23865 - 23870. 19 Sept 1997		
Further documents are listed in the Continuation of Box C			
* Special categories of cited documents: "A" Document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance "E" earlier application or patent but published on or after the international filing date "L" document which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified) "O" document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means "P" document published after the international filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the invention document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such documents, such combination being obvious to a person skilled in the art document member of the same patent family			
Date of the actual completion of the international search 07 December 1999 Date of mailing of the international search report 0 5 JAN 2000			ch report
Name and mailing address of the ISA/AU Authorized officer			
AUSTRALIAN PATENT OFFICE PO BOX 200 WODEN ACT 2606 AUSTRALIA E-mail address: pct@ipaustralia.gov.au TAMARA NIZNIK			
Facsimile No.: (02) 6285 3929 Telephone No.: (02) 6283 2422			